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## EXPORT TRADE BY COMMODITY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the decrease in United States exports of domestic merchandise from \$2,098.3 million in March to \$2,030.5 million in April<sup>1</sup>, a drop of about three percent, reflected decreases in exports of finished manufactures, crude materials, manufactured foodstuffs and semimanufactures which were partly offset by an increase in exports of crude foodstuffs. The April 1963 domestic merchandise export total is about nine percent higher than the April 1962 total of \$1,862.0 million. These totals include data on Department of Defense Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments.

With Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments excluded, the April domestic merchandise export total amounted to \$1,941.2 million, about five percent less than the March total of \$2,031.7 million and about nine percent more than the April 1962 total of \$1,779.6 million.

Exports of finished manufactures fell from \$1,256.3 million in March to \$1,206.1 million in April reflecting, in part, decreases in exports of individual items included in this economic class as follows: office, accounting and computing machines and parts, from \$40.2 to \$27.2 million; metal manufactures, from \$49.3 to \$42.9 million; trucks and busses, from \$24.7 to \$19.2 million; machine tools,

including metal-forming machine tools and parts, from \$24.6 to \$20.0 million; railway transportation equipment, from \$14.6 to \$11.2 million; steel mill manufactures, from \$17.6 to \$14.2 million; and paper and manufactures, from \$29.5 to \$26.3 million. The decrease in exports of crude materials from \$205.0 to \$185.8 million was largely due to decreases in exports of unmanufactured cotton, from \$59.3 to \$41.3 million; unmanufactured tobacco, from \$27.4 to \$25.0 million; and raw hides and skins, except furs, from \$7.7 to \$5.5 million. However, an increase was reported in exports of coal, from \$29.0 to \$35.2 million. Exports of manufactured foodstuffs fell from \$157.1 to \$139.1 million, reflecting decreases in exports of most of the individual items included in this economic class, the more noticeable of which were refined vegetable oils, fats and waxes, from \$19.9 to \$11.3 million and wheat flour, from \$16.0 to \$9.9 million. These decreases, however, were partly offset by an increase in exports of manufactured foodstuffs, exported for relief or charity, from \$15.1 to \$25.4 million. The decline in exports of semimanufactures from \$290.0 to \$278.5 million was primarily the result of a decrease in exports of industrial chemicals, excluding Special Category type 1, from \$35.1 to \$30.1 million, and lesser decreases in exports of several other commodities included in this economic class. An increase, however, was noted in exports of crude vegetable oils and fats, from \$6.5 to \$12.5 million.

Exports of crude foodstuffs rose from \$190.0 to \$220.9 million owing chiefly to increases in exports of wheat, from \$98.8 to \$122.1 million and corn, from \$49.7 to \$55.6 million.

<sup>1</sup> See the April 1963 issue of Report No. FT 900-E for seasonally-adjusted figures on total exports, excluding Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments. Seasonally-adjusted data are not available on a commodity basis.

### EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

**COVERAGE:** Export statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments to foreign countries. The export statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments (for which separate figures are shown in the footnotes of this report), Mutual Security Program economic assistance shipments, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. (The separate information which is available on exports under P.L. 480 and related laws may be obtained from the Economic Research Service and the Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture. Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are excluded from export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report, but the export trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States export trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries, not entered as imports, is not included in export statistics.

**VALUATION:** The valuation definition used in the export statistics is the value at the seaport, border point, or airport of exportation. It is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port of exportation. Transportation and other costs beyond the United States port of exportation are excluded. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

**RELIABILITY:** The statistics presented in this report are based partly on sample data and therefore are subject to sampling variation that may cause them to differ somewhat from the results which would have been obtained from processing all export documents. For the figures shown in this report the sampling variability can be ignored since the probable variability due to sampling is either less than \$50,000 (the largest variation from rounding of figures) or less than a trivial percentage of the individual totals shown. In addition to the effects of sampling variation, the data in this report are subject to errors from such sources as the carry-over of data from month to month, errors in reporting or processing, the estimation of shipments valued under \$100 (estimated data for such shipments are included in the over-all export total and in the totals for "Finished manufactures" and "All other finished manufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1" but excluded from other totals), and the omission of parcel post shipments valued under \$50. Although the effect of such errors on the rounded totals in this report is probably small, the possibility of inaccuracy should be taken into account, particularly in using figures of relatively small magnitude.

Further information regarding coverage, valuation, compilation procedures and precision of export data is contained in the foreword of Report No. FT 410. For complete statement, see foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:  
APRIL 1963 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(Quantity in units indicated; values in millions of dollars. Data revised to reflect corrections published with the statistics through those for December 1962. Totals represent sum of unrounded figures, hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts.)

Economic class and commodity <sup>1</sup>	April 1963	March 1963	April 1962	Monthly average 1962
Total.....value..	<sup>2</sup> 2,030.5	<sup>3</sup> 2,098.3	<sup>4</sup> 1,862.0	<sup>5</sup> 1,779.9
Crude materials.....value..	185.8	205.0	161.8	186.2
Hides and skins, raw, except furs.....value..	5.5	7.7	5.7	6.9
Animal and fish oils and greases, inedible.....1,000 lb..	163,113	164,113	123,140	132,378
value..	10.4	9.8	8.4	8.6
Oilseeds.....value..	39.0	40.3	30.2	35.7
Tobacco, unmanufactured.....1,000 lb..	45,991	36,027	30,767	39,073
value..	25.0	27.4	22.7	31.1
Cotton, unmanufactured.....1,000 bales..	336	477	325	342
value..	41.3	59.3	42.6	44.8
Coal.....1,000 s.tons..	3,756	2,988	2,908	3,357
value..	35.2	29.0	27.4	31.4
Crude petroleum.....1,000 bbl..	170	96	87	149
value..	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.4
All other crude materials.....value..	28.9	31.1	24.5	27.2
Crude foodstuffs.....value..	220.9	190.0	176.9	167.3
Corn.....1,000 bu..	41,209	36,449	36,012	35,383
value..	55.6	49.7	45.3	43.9
Wheat.....1,000 bu..	67,741	55,141	49,168	43,014
value..	122.1	98.8	86.4	77.8
Other grains.....value..	20.1	16.1	23.4	23.3
Vegetables, fresh or dried.....1,000 lb..	153,247	237,135	149,265	117,706
value..	8.5	11.8	8.4	7.0
Fruits, fresh or frozen.....1,000 lb..	65,085	69,720	108,039	120,946
value..	6.3	6.9	7.5	9.4
Crude foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies.....value..	0.8	0.3	0.6	1.2
All other crude foodstuffs.....value..	7.5	6.5	5.2	4.7
Manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	139.1	157.1	107.7	113.8
Meat and meat products.....1,000 lb..	42,562	52,590	39,630	43,065
value..	11.0	13.8	12.0	12.7
Lard.....1,000 lb..	60,249	40,496	42,365	35,174
value..	5.4	3.8	4.3	3.4
Dairy products.....1,000 lb..	73,290	80,262	26,592	40,045
value..	12.8	12.2	4.9	6.8
Fish, canned, prepared, etc.....1,000 lb..	1,633	3,115	1,962	2,976
value..	0.8	1.2	1.2	1.3
Milled rice.....1,000,000 lb..	306	348	230	192
value..	21.1	23.2	14.8	12.7
Wheat flour.....1,000 cwt..	2,713	4,196	2,704	2,687
value..	9.9	16.0	10.0	10.4
Vegetables, canned and prepared.....value..	4.2	4.5	2.7	4.0
Fruits, dried and evaporated.....1,000 lb..	13,738	13,578	12,009	18,868
value..	2.9	2.9	2.7	3.9
Canned fruits.....1,000 lb..	28,052	40,855	29,587	50,224
value..	3.9	5.7	4.0	6.6
Fruit juices.....1,000 gal..	2,778	3,607	3,503	3,111
value..	4.2	4.3	3.8	3.5
Vegetable oils, fats and waxes, refined.....1,000 lb..	86,592	163,758	80,793	73,132
value..	11.3	19.9	11.5	9.9
Sugar and related products.....value..	2.0	2.8	1.4	1.6
Manufactured foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies.....value..	25.4	15.1	13.6	15.3
All other manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	24.3	31.9	20.7	21.7
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	278.5	290.0	255.0	253.7
Leather.....value..	3.0	3.6	2.8	2.8
Synthetic rubber.....1,000 lb..	61,321	63,522	57,789	56,690
value..	13.9	14.7	15.7	14.1

See footnotes at end of table.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:  
APRIL 1963 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Economic class and commodity <sup>1</sup>	April 1963	March 1963	April 1962	Monthly average 1962
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> —Continued				
Naval Stores, gums and resins.....value..	3.6	4.0	3.2	4.0
Vegetable oils and fats, crude.....1,000 lb..	127,983	62,455	101,818	65,082
.....value..	12.5	6.5	12.2	6.9
Cotton semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	36,813	40,794	26,182	30,434
.....value..	5.2	5.8	4.2	4.5
Wool semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	13,060	12,207	11,446	11,411
.....value..	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	18,605	17,371	17,983	18,097
.....value..	13.4	13.9	14.3	14.0
Sawmill products.....1,000 bd.ft..	62,632	70,582	57,646	63,164
.....value..	8.0	8.7	7.0	7.6
Wood pulp.....1,000 s.tons..	97	116	87	99
.....value..	12.3	15.0	11.7	13.1
Fuel oil, distillate and residual.....1,000 bbl..	2,626	2,508	1,473	1,814
.....value..	7.3	7.3	4.3	5.2
Sulfur.....1,000 l.tons..	138	128	129	128
.....value..	3.0	2.7	3.0	3.0
Steel mill products, semifinished.....value..	2.9	1.1	1.2	2.1
Iron and steel bars, including bar size shapes.....1,000 lb..	19,621	14,881	16,843	17,103
.....value..	2.4	1.8	2.1	2.1
Iron and steel plates, sheets and strips.....1,000 lb..	144,006	131,410	95,323	120,054
.....value..	16.9	16.7	12.5	14.2
Tin mill products, including tin mill black plate.....1,000 lb..	74,578	87,707	69,247	65,682
.....value..	5.9	6.6	5.3	5.0
Other iron and steel semimanufactures.....value..	14.5	14.0	14.3	14.9
Aluminum semimanufactures.....value..	12.9	11.8	9.2	10.5
Copper semimanufactures.....value..	16.2	17.8	16.5	17.8
Coal-tar and other cyclic chemical products.....value..	16.2	16.3	13.8	15.3
Plastics and resin materials.....1,000 lb..	76,846	80,249	72,453	72,498
.....value..	25.4	26.9	22.6	23.5
Industrial chemicals, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	30.1	35.1	26.8	26.5
Pigments.....1,000 lb..	49,309	52,803	48,946	48,118
.....value..	5.2	5.5	5.3	5.0
Nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials.....1,000 lb..	50,255	115,198	255,025	133,423
.....value..	1.4	2.4	4.6	3.0
All other semimanufactures, excl. Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	44.3	50.1	40.6	36.8
Finished manufactures.....value..	1,206.1	1,256.3	1,160.6	1,058.8
Truck, bus, and automobile tires (casings), new.....thousands..	102	100	75	89
.....value..	3.2	3.3	2.5	2.9
Other rubber manufactures.....value..	9.9	12.2	10.0	9.3
Cigarettes.....millions..	2,044	2,043	2,166	2,007
.....value..	9.0	9.2	9.5	8.9
Other tobacco manufactures.....value..	1.5	1.2	0.6	0.9
Cotton cloth.....value..	9.2	10.2	11.6	9.8
Other cotton manufactures.....value..	8.4	9.3	9.1	7.6
Wool manufactures.....value..	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile manufactures.....value..	15.2	17.6	15.0	13.3
Other textile manufactures.....value..	6.2	6.7	6.6	5.7
Wood manufactures, advanced.....value..	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.7
Paper and manufactures.....value..	26.3	29.5	25.2	24.0
Motor fuel and gasoline, including jet fuels (all types).....value..	2.3	2.1	2.7	2.4
Lubricating oil.....value..	22.9	18.7	22.0	18.8
Glass and products.....value..	7.9	10.1	7.4	7.8
Steel mill manufactures.....value..	14.2	17.6	11.3	10.5
Metal manufactures, n.e.c.....value..	42.9	49.3	41.0	37.9
Electric household refrigerators and freezers.....number..	24,713	23,132	23,421	20,429
.....value..	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.0
Radio and television apparatus.....value..	33.7	34.9	30.7	28.8
Other electrical machinery and apparatus.....value..	81.9	82.4	79.0	73.2
Power generating machinery, n.e.c.....value..	28.6	30.9	28.5	27.5
Construction, excavating, mining, oil field, and related machinery.....value..	81.0	78.8	75.6	69.0
Machine tools (including metal-forming machine tools) and parts, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	20.0	24.6	26.7	28.2
Metalworking machines and parts, except machine tools and parts.....value..	23.9	19.6	12.4	15.7
Textile, sewing and shoe machinery.....value..	13.1	16.3	14.2	14.1
Other industrial machinery and parts.....value..	112.6	123.6	101.6	97.1

See footnotes at end of table.



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APRIL 1963 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Economic class and commodity <sup>1</sup>	April 1963	March 1963	April 1962	Monthly average 1962
Finished manufactures—Continued				
Office, accounting, and computing machines and parts.....value..	27.2	40.2	33.1	27.4
Agricultural machines, implements and parts.....value..	19.2	18.6	16.5	13.2
Tractors.....number..	7,067	12,806	6,360	4,883
.....value..	24.7	21.7	19.8	17.2
Tractor parts and accessories.....value..	14.9	14.5	14.5	13.1
Motor trucks and busses, commercial (new).....number..	9,202	9,810	8,272	8,585
.....value..	19.2	24.7	19.8	20.0
Passenger cars, nonmilitary (new).....number..	10,795	11,928	14,573	10,581
.....value..	21.2	23.4	29.2	20.4
Automobile parts for assembly and replacement.....value..	66.8	67.4	57.0	56.3
Military automobiles, trucks, busses, trailers, parts, accessories and service equipment; commercial maintenance and repair trucks (new).....value..	11.0	8.2	8.7	11.9
Aircraft, parts and accessories.....value..	128.2	130.3	134.4	120.0
Merchant ships, nonmilitary, n.e.c.....number..	12	4	4	10
.....value..	0.8	0.2	0.6	1.0
Railway transportation equipment.....value..	11.2	14.6	15.4	13.1
Antibiotics.....value..	4.7	4.5	6.3	5.3
Other medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations.....value..	17.5	20.8	18.8	17.2
Soap and toilet preparations.....value..	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.0
Small arms, machine guns, parts and accessories, n.e.c.....value..	7.2	3.3	5.8	3.2
Ammunition, components and parts.....value..	20.7	28.5	21.8	16.3
Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	46.2	25.7	37.2	25.6
All other finished manufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 <sup>6</sup> .....value..	182.3	192.5	168.9	156.3

<sup>1</sup>Based on commodity classifications in Schedule B, Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported from the United States. A Supplement to Report No. FT 930-E showing the Schedule B numbers included in the individual economic class and commodity totals is available on request.

<sup>3</sup>Includes \$89.3 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments (\$32.6 million to Western Europe). <sup>4</sup>Includes \$66.6 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments (\$16.0 million to Western Europe). <sup>5</sup>Includes \$82.4 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments (\$28.0 million to Western Europe). <sup>6</sup>Includes \$67.5 million of Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments (\$27.5 million to Western Europe). See the January 1961 issue of Report No. FT 410 for explanation of Special Category commodities and list of commodities included.